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# ASK THE EXPERTS! CONSERVATION ASSISTANCE DAY at the NC Museum of History







RALEIGH, N.C. — This rare opportunity is being offered by the third-most-visited state history museum in the nation. Mark your calendar for this FREE event Friday, February 17, 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m.

Four times a year the NC Museum of History's conservators spend a day with the public giving them advice on how to care for, preserve and protect precious family heirlooms—including wedding dresses, clocks, instruments, great-great-grandpa's Civil War flag and sword, granddad's WWII uniform, jewelry and Grammy's quilts.

Individuals may bring up to three pre-approved objects. Why pre-approved? For the public's safety and to protect the museum against serious infestations. Please

# leave the following at home:

- Objects with live ammunition, unexploded dynamite or other armaments
- Textile or wood objects infested with mold, bugs or pests
- Hazardous chemicals such as acetone, barium, strychnine or ether

Don't miss this opportunity. **Make your appointment** with the experts who have almost 40 years of experience between them. **Call 919-807-7823** to set up your 30-

minute appointment with either Paige Myers or Jennifer French. *The museum does not provide estimates on value.* 

### **Meet the Experts**



Paige Myers, textile conservator, has almost 25 years' experience working with textiles (clothing, uniforms, quilts and flags) at the North Carolina Museum of History and National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution; was a professional costumer with Raleigh Creative Costumes; is textile advisor to Hope Plantation, Windsor, NC; and gives textile workshops in North Carolina and the Southeast.



Jennifer French, objects conservator, has over 15 years of experience working with collections at the North Carolina Museum of History; North Carolina Division of Historic Sites; Cleveland Museum of Art; the National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institution; and the Wiltshire County Council Conservation Centre in Wiltshire, England. She examines and treats archaeological, ethnographic, and historic objects, as well as objects of fine art.

#### **IMAGES**

#### Dropbox

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#### **About the N.C. Museum of History**

The N.C. Museum of History is located at 5 E. Edenton Street in downtown Raleigh. Hours are Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. The museum collects and preserves artifacts of North Carolina history and educates the public on the history of the state and the nation through exhibits and educational programs. Each year more than 400,000 people visit the museum to see some of the 150,000 artifacts in the museum collection. The Museum of History, within the Division

of State History Museums, is part of the N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

## About the N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

The N.C. Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (NCDNCR) is the state agency with a vision to be the leader in using the state's natural and cultural resources to build the social, cultural, educational and economic future of North Carolina. NCDNCR's mission is to improve the quality of life in our state by creating opportunities to experience excellence in the arts, history, libraries and nature in North Carolina by stimulating learning, inspiring creativity, preserving the state's history, conserving the state's natural heritage, encouraging recreation and cultural tourism, and promoting economic development.

NCDNCR includes 27 historic sites, seven history museums, two art museums, two science museums, three aquariums and Jennette's Pier, 39 state parks and recreation areas, the N.C. Zoo, the nation's first state-supported Symphony Orchestra, the State Library, the State Archives, the N.C. Arts Council, State Preservation Office and the Office of State Archaeology, along with the Division of Land and Water Stewardship. For more information, please call 919-807-7300 or visit <a href="https://www.ncdcr.gov">www.ncdcr.gov</a>.

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